

## The Way of Our World

## IN THE DAY'S NEWS—

A 300-pound hog ambled into the Missouri Legislature the other day. Income taxes all over the country are yielding greater revenue this year.

A New York policeman shot at a burglar and killed a man going home from church.

A single building is all that is now left of the once thriving village of Porterville, Wis.

A young New Yorker, influenced by Melancholy, committed suicide because he was "unable to live proudly."

A girl who died recently in Pennsylvania, is believed to have come to her death through witchcraft.

In Chicago the radio is being used to relay crime information from headquarters to police squads.

A Pittsburgh (Pa.) window cleaner fell twenty-four stories and is still living, though seriously injured.

A Texas fisherman hatched four horses to a seine last week and pulled a 1350-pound turtle from the Gulf of Mexico.

Dr. Herbert M. Evans, discoverer of Vitamin E, has been awarded the John Scott medal at the University of California.

Albert, Ringling Brothers elephant, who died Monday of pneumonia, may be given to the Peabody Museum at Yale.

A man from Long Island, N. Y., remains a motoring enthusiast in spite of nine automobile accidents within a year.

An eagle attacked an airplane in Germany, causing it to rock badly. The bird's neck was broken by a wing of the plane.

Chicago's first billion-dollar bank was officially born Monday when the officials of the Continental Illinois Bank were named.

Dr. H. D. Barnstein of the University of Wisconsin claims that he has invented a mechanism that "learns" like a human being.

Authorities of the New York Ophthalmic Association would eliminate 50 per cent of the glasses now worn, substituting eye exercises.

A demonstration to show that movies can "think" as well as talk was attempted in New York, but the film "absentmindedly" refused to work.

A robber in Chicago, carrying a bundle which was taken by bystanders for a baby, but which in reality concealed a gun, held up a movie theater.

The instructions given to his jury by Judge George Weimer of Kalamazoo, Mich., were: "Do as you would be done by and you can't go wrong."

A soldier in San Francisco, unable to conquer the traffic problem in any other way, held up the automobile with a gun until he could escape from the jam.

Conductors on trains between Laredo, Tex., and Mexico City prefer to wear citizens' clothes instead of uniforms, for fear of being mistaken for rebel generals and shot.

Two police officers and eighty-three detectives and policemen were declared unfit for office in Philadelphia last week by a special grand jury, in charge of liquor investigation.

When an Albany, N. Y., man was arraigned in court charged with violation of four traffic laws, and was fined \$55 or 55 days, he called up a junk dealer, and sold the car for \$55.

Gradually increasing during the past few years, the San River elk herd in the Lewis and Clark forest north of Missoula, Mont., has grown to 4500 head, according to forest supervisors.

John Coltharp, bachelor landholder of Joplin, Miss., walked two miles to pay a 3-1-2 cent school tax because he said the journey would have taken 3 cents worth of gasoline for his car.

Trial marriage was recently made legal in North Carolina when a tax on marriage licenses, a part of a new revenue bill, was erroneously included under an article which specified that all licenses under same were for twelve months only.

—AND SOME HUMOR—

A careful housewife went into a grocer's shop to make a purchase of some eggs.

"How much a dozen are the eggs?" she inquired of the small assistant.

"Assistant: 'One and six, madam, and a shilling the cracked ones.'"

Housewife: "Well, crack me a dozen, please."

—AND SOME VERSE—

Ready to serve—when, where, or how we may;

Behind the scenes, or in the foot-lights glare,

Upon the stage of Life to do and dare,

With, or without, applause; by night or day

Willing to serve—alike at work or play

Strain to the utmost to perform our share,

And of life's burdens our own part to bear.

While helping those less able on their way;

Ready and willing—just to do our best,

And to expend our sinew and our nerve,

Not daunted by the hard and bitter test.

Of oft repeated failure though we deserve.

Or think we do, to reach success and rest.

They have not failed whom God permits to serve.

—Frances Alice Monks.

## STUDENT BODY MEETS; ADOPTS 2 RESOLUTIONS

## Requests Curators to Reconsider Action of Board

## GATHERING IS ORDERLY

## Second Measure Is Condemnation of Stand of Townspeople

Two resolutions were adopted by the students of the University last night in the meeting held in the University Auditorium. One was directed to the Executive Board of Curators and the other to the Columbia people who signed the petition of North Todd Gentry. They are as follows:

Resolved: That we, the students of the University of Missouri, express our disapproval of the action of the Executive Board of Curators and the Board of Directors of the University of Missouri, in their recent questionnaires.

To the Columbia People: Be it resolved that we, the students of the University of Missouri, do hereby condemn the action of the Executive Board of Curators and the Board of Directors of the University of Missouri, in their recent questionnaires.

The largest crowd that has ever assembled at a mass meeting of the University of Missouri, gathered in the University Auditorium to take action concerning the dismissal of Dr. H. O. DeGraff and Dr. Max Meyer by the Executive Board of the Board of Curators of the University, which goes into effect Saturday.

After introductory speeches by Rudolph Harker, Lucile Dorff and C. Franklin Parker, Frank Knight, student president, took charge and opened the meeting for suggestions of such methods as could be used in approaching the subject and an open discussion of the methods so suggested.

The first question addressed to the chair was one asking for confirmation of denial of the rumor that Prof. Jesse Wrench had resigned. Prof. Wrench was in the audience, telling them that the statement was "grossly exaggerated" and that he would not attempt to advise them as to what their procedure should be.

Asks Student Leaders to Speak. C. Franklin Parker then appealed to the older members of the student body, those who are recognized as leaders on the campus, asking them to express their opinions as to the proper temperate action that could be taken in the situation.

Several proposals were heard and it was agreed that the only way to handle the situation was to show, by resolution, the feeling of the student body as a whole toward the incident.

Finally it was decided to send a resolution to the Executive Board of the Board of Curators voicing the disapproval of the student body toward the action taken by the executive committee and requesting that these actions be reconsidered and more complete review of the question be made.

The students had become much quieted down and were thinking clearly of the situation before them. The idea of a boycott was considered, and they voted against such a move and adopted a petition to be sent to the merchants saying that the actions had been severely condemned by the student body.

After short discussion of this petition it was adopted by the students, again unanimously and by a rising vote.

DeGraff Appears on Stage

When it was learned that Dr. DeGraff was in his office in the building, the students started clamoring for him, asking that he be brought before them. He was found and asked to say a few words. When he appeared on the stage an ovation, that has seldom been equaled in Columbia, was given him.

He seemed unable to speak, then he expressed his thanks to the students and left the stage followed by another ovation larger and more tumultuous than the first.

A member of the Missouri Legislature was in the audience and when asked by a student if he would like to address the meeting said that he had nothing to say to them and that he thought the meeting was carried on in a manner that was above reproach.

After a flashlight picture had been taken of the meeting the students rose and sang "Old Missouri" which they followed by a "Varsity."

There was little demonstration after the student mass meeting last night although some sort of physical show had been expected by many. The students had been requested to go quietly home, it being the general wish to prevent any action which might be regrettable.

About 150 students collected before

## The Weather

For Columbia and vicinity: Unsettled tonight and Friday; local showers probable; not much change in temperature.

For Missouri: Mostly cloudy tonight and Friday with probably local showers; somewhat colder extreme north portion.

Shippers forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperatures are expected to be above freezing.

Weather conditions: Thunderstorms with heavy rain have occurred over southern Texas, and light rain has fallen northeast across Arkansas to southeast Missouri and southern Illinois. Light to moderate snows have occurred over Minnesota and Manitoba and there is some rain mixed with snow from Utah to Montana.

Elsewhere generally fair weather has prevailed. There is a reaction to the winter type along the border from Montana-Alberta to Manitoba-Minnesota. Elsewhere temperatures are mild. In Missouri values are 10 degrees above the seasonal.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 66 and the lowest last night was 55.

## FIFTY TRAPPED IN MINE EXPLOSION

## Little Hope for Men in Coal Pit at Parnassus, Pa.

PARNASSUS, Pa., March 21 (U.P.)—The fate of at least 50 miners entombed in the Kinloch mine of the Valley Camp Coal Company by an explosion was doubtful this afternoon, rescue workers and mine company officials reported.

It was feared that the men may have been killed in the explosion which wrecked the mine workings and entombed between 250 and 300 men.

Approximately 200 of the miners escaped through an unused entrance of the Valley Camp Coal Company which connects with the Kinloch mine.

O. F. Taylor, superintendent of the mine, estimated that 260 men were in the workings at the time of the explosion.

In view of the fire which occurred in the mine shaft after the explosion and the accumulation of gas, mine experts said the chance of rescuing alive the remaining men in the workings was slight.

Rescue crews of the Valley Camp Coal Company and adjoining mines were rushed to the mine.

A mine rescue car operated by the United States Bureau of Mines was brought here from Curtsville, a few miles away, where it had been held on a siding.

The mine recently was awarded a 100 per cent efficiency diploma of the United States Bureau of Mines for its excellent safeguards.

The mine numbers among its men fifteen highly trained in mine rescue work, but it was feared these may be among the victims of the explosion.

Houses for two miles about the mine were rocked by the explosion. Witnesses said a shaft of flames shot 200 feet in the air from the mine shaft.

It was feared that many of the miners may have been burned to death. The force of the blast is believed to have wrecked much of the temporary and permanent bracing work in the mine and resultant cave-ins may add to the difficulties of rescue work.

A mine official said the explosion was caused by sparks from a conveyor belt as its steel raps slid about a pulley wheel at the foot of the shaft. The sparks, the mine official said, probably found a gas pocket and the explosion followed.

Two entries from the mine located at points five miles away from the main entrance may afford an opportunity for some of the men to escape, rescue crews believed. Relief agencies were rushed to the openings to aid any of the men who may find their way to safety.

## NIFONGS FILE SUIT TODAY

Plaintiffs Are Asking Texas Empire Company for \$1000

Lavinia Lenoir Nifong and F. G. Nifong filed suit this morning in the Boone County Circuit Court against the Texas Empire Pipeline. They are suing for \$1000 and court costs for the loss of time, and expenses incurred in the preparation to defend a condemnation suit.

The Maxwell Investment Company, as plaintiff in a charge of venue suit from Pettis County filed this morning, asks for \$25,000 damages and court costs from W. T. Fairfax, for restitution of real estate in Pettis County amounting to 545 acres.

## PRESENTS NEW BUDGET BILL

Rep. Bales Seeks to Extend Powers of State Tax Commission

JEFFERSON CITY, March 21 (U.P.)—Representative Bales of Shannon County introduced a bill in the House in which he seeks to extend the scope of the present budgetary powers of the State Tax Commission.

The proposed bill provides that the commission shall prepare the budget for each state department, bureau, or board which receives state support. The measure requires each department to make specific application for appropriations in five different classes.

## DERGE IS BOUND OVER TO APRIL TERM OF COURT

## Faces Charges of Manslaughter, Reckless Driving

## IS FREE ON TWO BONDS

## Defendant's Mother On Stand Yesterday Afternoon

John S. Bicknell, justice of the peace, this morning held that Fred Derge should be bound over for trial in the April term of Circuit Court. The ruling came following a preliminary hearing in connection with an automobile accident on the evening of Feb. 22, when Clarence A. Klossner of St. Louis received fatal injuries at the corner of College and Hudson avenues.

Derge faces two charges, one of careless and reckless driving on a public highway, and another of manslaughter. It will be necessary for him to face two separate trials. Meanwhile, he is free on two bonds of \$500 each.

Yesterday morning the magistrate listened to the case of the state which attempted to prove that Derge had been drinking and was intoxicated at the time of the accident.

The state also attempted to prove that the Klossner car, which was being driven south on College Avenue, was struck by Derge's Buick coupe which was being driven west on Hudson Avenue at an excessive rate of speed.

Defendant Takes Stand. After a noon recess yesterday, court was reconvened and the magistrate called Derge to the stand. He remained on the stand for more than an hour and was subjected to cross questioning by both the prosecuting attorney, Franklin Reagan, and the attorney for the defense, Boyle Clark.

Derge refused to say that he had possessed more than three ounces of alcohol when he came to College Avenue on the afternoon of Feb. 22. Prosecuting Attorney Reagan then questioned the defendant until he learned the name of the person in St. Joseph who had sold the alcohol to Derge.

Reagan did not indicate what action might be taken to apprehend the person who had sold the alcohol.

Derge said that he had not had a drink until he reached Columbia, and that he was not intoxicated at any time that afternoon or evening.

When questioned as to his reason for parking his car at the east end of Hudson Avenue and getting out to go behind the car, Derge explained that he was looking for a rattle seat of his car. He said that he and Miss Clara Belle Willis and Walsworth did not stop any longer than was necessary to close the rattle seat. As soon as this was done, Derge said that they backed the car west toward William Street.

Knew Car Had Been Struck. He said that he knew he struck Julie Tate's car, also parked just east of William Street, but he said that he thought he had done no damage to Tate's car, so he did not feel at the time that it was necessary for him to stop.

He said that he was being pursued west on Hudson Avenue by Tate following the accident, Derge denied any knowledge of pursuit.

Reagan asked Derge where he had first seen the Klossner car coming. Derge answered that his car was just entering College Avenue when he saw the Klossner car approaching the intersection and that he tried to apply his brakes. Reagan then called the defendant's attention to the fact that during the coroner's inquest he had said that he had applied his brakes some fifteen or twenty feet east of College Avenue. Derge answered that he was puzzled and that at the time he had made the original statement he must have been in no condition to give a reliable account of the happenings.

Derge said that he did not remember having told Tate after the accident that his (Derge's) car was not the one which struck Tate's Ford at the lower end of Hudson Avenue. Neither did he remember having told Tate that he was coming south on College Avenue when his car was struck by one coming west on Hudson Avenue.

At the time of the accident, Derge was driving his mother's Buick coupe. Mrs. Derge had been visiting in Bloomington, Ill., for several days and was there on Friday when Derge started for Columbia. Derge testified that he had come here with his mother's knowledge and consent, and later in the afternoon Mrs. Derge took the stand and verified her son's statement.

Derge testified that he did not drive west on Hudson Avenue at a speed faster than twenty-five or thirty miles an hour, and said that he had kept his car's lights turned on when it was parked at the lower end of the street. He also said that the lights on Tate's car were not on when he struck it. Derge concluded his testimony by stating that he was positive his car was struck by the Klossner car.

Walsworth was the next of the witnesses for the defense. He was riding with Miss Willis and Derge at the time of the accident. Walsworth was wearing a bandage about his head when he took the stand yesterday afternoon.

Walsworth's testimony verified most of Derge's statements, but un-

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## First Day of Spring

Today is the first day of spring. The season started officially at 8:35 o'clock last night, Central Standard Time, the minute when the sun crossed the Equator to bring warmer weather to the northern hemisphere.

However, today is not the equinox. The day that most nearly approached equality in length of day and night was March 17, St. Patrick's Day. The sun rose at 6:17 o'clock that morning and set at 6:18 o'clock that evening. The official record for that day says: "Possible sunshine, 12 hours. Actual sunshine, 12 hours." Thus Columbia had 100 per cent sunshine that day.

There has not been more than fifteen minutes difference in the lengths of the days and nights since March 11, and there will not be until after March 23.

Today is the warmest day so far this month and the daylight temperature for the day has averaged between 50 and 65 degrees. There has been no freezing weather since March 10. The last few days have had an average temperature of 10 degrees above seasonal.

## MAY DAY QUEEN IS ELECTED

Virginia Guitler, High School Senior, to Preside at Celebration

Virginia Guitler, a senior in Hickman High School, has been elected May queen by the girls of the school. She will preside at the annual May Day celebration which will be given sometime near the end of the school term.

## BILL ENGROSSED TO AID CRIPPLES

## Directs Board of Health to Contract for Children's Care

JEFFERSON CITY, March 21 (U.P.)—The State Board of Health would be directed to contract for the hospitalization of all crippled children in the state under a bill engrossed in the House today.

The bill, as originally introduced by Representative A. H. Baldwin of Cass County, provided for the creation of a commission of six members to look after the needs of the crippled children.

However, Representative William Freeman of Taylor County, majority floor leader, offered an amendment placing the work with the Board of Health and it was accepted by Representative Baldwin.

Speaker Jones J. Parker made a plea for the measure, declaring there were now 15,000 crippled children in the state who were unable to receive treatment because their parents were unable to send them to private institutions.

The speaker urged the work that was now being done for crippled children by the St. Joseph Hospital in St. Louis, and the Shriners Hospital in St. Louis. However, he said they were unable to care adequately for all of the thousands of children with deformities.

## TRANSIENTS HERALD ADVENT OF SPRING

## Public Welfare Society Receives Calls From Many Wanderers

Transient families who wandered into Columbia yesterday seemed to herald the first day of spring and the wondrous return of nature.

Miss Ada Niedermeyer, executive secretary of the Public Welfare Society, received an increased number of visits from these vagrant wanderers during the day. One crippled man, about 55, wanted money. He said that he and his son, 33, had come from the Imperial Valley in California and were going to Memphis. His car had broken down outside of Columbia.

Another man, who said he had roamed about for twenty-five years and a pair of trousers. He had no plan of getting a new pair. Any trousers that the society had to offer were no better than his own, so he shuffled aimlessly off.

At 5:30 o'clock, a woman, 55, and her daughter, 18, strolled into the office. They said they had left Ohio on a bus to visit a son in Orange Drive in Hollywood. When they arrived there they learned that the son had moved away several years ago. They started to walk back March 10. In ten days, they said, they had "walked" to Columbia.

When Miss Niedermeyer learned of the plight of the woman and her daughter, she said that the board could not give them money. The older woman became angry, snapped her fingers and left. The police were informed and were prepared to give them the same answer when they showed up at the station. As they departed they asserted that they would leave and would never recommend Columbia or the police department to any of their friends.

## Negro Arrested on Liquor Charge

George Bowdry, negro, was arrested today on a charge of possessing liquor. He pleaded not guilty and trial was set for next Tuesday. His bond was fixed at \$500.

Mrs. Winn Buried at Union Today. Funeral services for Mrs. John Winn, 209 St. Joseph Street, were conducted at 2 o'clock this afternoon by the Rev. Perry P. Taylor at Union Church, with burial in the cemetery there.

Mrs. Edgar Lee Is Out of Hospital. Mrs. Edgar D. Lee wife of President Lee of Christian College, was dismissed from the Boone County Hospital this morning.

Educators Inspect High School. O. G. Sanford and J. R. Scarborough from the state department of education were in Columbia today for the purpose of conducting an inspection of Hickman High School.

## SURVEY BILL IS ENGROSSED BY VOTE OF 107-9

## Commission Proposal Assured Passage in House

## SENATE FAVOR IS LIKELY

## Special Session May Be Held Next Year for Reports

JEFFERSON CITY, March 21 (U.P.)—It was indicated yesterday that the House is going to pass Gov. Caulfield's proposal for the creation of a commission to make a complete survey of Missouri schools, taxation and revenue, and the building needs of state institutions when the body, by a vote of 107 to 9, engrossed the bill providing for the creation of a commission of seven members to make the survey.

It is believed that the contemplated report of the commission will lead to a special session of the Legislature early next year to be followed by the submission of a \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 bond issue for state buildings.

Speaker Jones H. Parker and Eugene Nelson of Marion County, led the fight for the engrossment of the bill. Representative O. B. Whitaker of Hickory County, the voiceless member, made an unsuccessful fight against the measure through his portable typewriter.

The overwhelming vote for engrossment clearly means the bill will be passed by the House when it is considered on third reading. It is believed the measure will be favorably received by the Senate.

The bill provides that the proposed commission shall make the survey of the penal educational and eleemosynary institutions as to their building needs, the needs of the public schools of the state, and whether any additional revenue is needed for their support.

The bill, as engrossed, includes the provisions of the educational survey bill which was introduced by Representative George W. Williams of St. Louis, and the survey measure for the state institutions by Representative Claude Ricketts of St. Louis.

Minority Floor Leader Nelson declared the measure should be kept out of politics and urged all members to support it regardless of party.

He said the proposed bill was drafted in the interest of all Missourians who are looking to a forward program and who have the welfare of the state at heart.

## TO HAVE USED CAR SHOW

Automotive Sales and Service Association Here to Be in Charge

A used car show, to be held by the Automotive Sales & Service Association at their regular biweekly meeting and dinner last night at the Daniel Boone Tavern.

The dealers feel that there is no need for a new car show in Columbia, for even now they are having difficulty in keeping up with deliveries. If the used car show is a success, the dealers expect to open a used-car market in Columbia where all the dealers will co-operate and sell their used cars together. This will enable prospective buyers to see and compare all the used cars on the market at once and is considered the most efficient way of handling the problem.

There was a general reorganization of the association last night. A membership committee was organized to plan for the auto show were appointed. In the future, the attendance of each meeting will be placed in the hands of a single firm in the organization, which will have charge of selling tickets to the dinner and of getting the good attendance. Any member of a firm which sells or services automobiles is eligible to membership in the association. The attendance last night was fifteen, but it is expected that the membership will be increased to thirty-five or forty.

## BUICK SEDAN IS STOLEN

G. Bert Sapp's Car Disappeared About 8:30 Last Evening

Stopping at the Boone County Lumber Company last night to register in order to be able to vote, G. Bert Sapp left his keys in his automobile. He came out to find his car missing. Mr. Sapp said that the stolen automobile was a 1929 model, blue Buick sedan. It was taken between 8:30 and 9 o'clock.

The sheriff's office was notified at once, and telephone calls were put in to officers in surrounding towns and cities. No trace of the missing car had been found at noon today.

## PILOT HELD IN PLANE WRECK

Sole Survivor Is Charged With Manslaughter at Boone County Hospital

NEWARK, N. J., March 21 (U.P.)—Manslaughter charges will be brought against Lou Foote, pilot and sole survivor of the Ford sightseeing plane which crashed here Sunday killing fourteen persons. Police Captain Phillip Sebald said today. A policeman will be placed on guard at Foote's bed in St. James Hospital when the warrant is served, he said. Foote is improving steadily and will recover, hospital officials said.

## LOCAL BANKERS HEAR SPEER

Head of State Association Speaks at Meeting Here

A. A. Speer, president of the First National Bank of Jefferson City and also president of the Missouri Bankers' Association, spoke at a business meeting of the Boone County Bankers' Association at Harris' Cafe this afternoon.

## TWO HALLSVILLE BANKS IN MERGER

## New Institution Assumes Obligations of Both—Robinson Is Head

The Hallsville State Bank and the Bank of Hallsville were merged last week by action of the respective boards of directors, following the authorization of the stockholders. Recognition of the fact that two banks cannot be conducted profitably at Hallsville, was the reason given for the merger in a statement issued to depositors by the State Bank of Hallsville, the new institution.

W. F. Robinson is president of the Board of Directors of the State Bank of Hallsville, which combines in its title the names of both parent banks. Other officers are: Vice-president, W. R. Caldwell; cashier, D. B. Carpenter; assistant cashiers, F. Floyd Roberts, R. H. Wilhite, V. V. Caldwell, well. The board of directors is composed of five members of the boards of each of the former banks.

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## LINDBERGH WILL MARRY IN JUNE

## Wedding Will Probably Be at Morrow Home, Cuernavaca, Mex.

MEXICO CITY, March 21 (U.P.)—Miss Anne Morrow and Col. Charles A. Lindbergh will be married sometime in June, it was said in official circles here today.

Lindbergh is expected to make one or two flights to Mexico City before June, in order, it is said, to fix the exact date and place of the ceremony. Meanwhile Miss Morrow's trousseau is being prepared and it is understood it will be ready by the end of May.